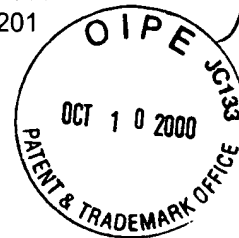


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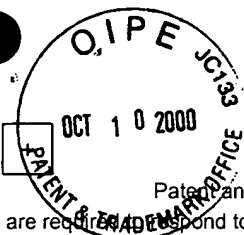
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106	310	206	155	Design filing fee	
107	480	207	240	Plant filing fee	
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114	150	214	75	Provisional filing fee	

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103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20
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104	260	204	130	Multiple dependent claim
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127	50	227	25	Surcharge-late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139	130	139	130	Non-English Specification	
147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for reexamination	
112	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113	1,840*	113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	
116	380	216	190	Extension for reply within second month	
117	870	217	435	Extension for reply within third month	
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119	300	219	150	Notice of Appeal	
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121	260	221	130	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
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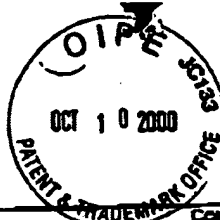
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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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## Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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